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# Student reps at Trustee meetings

by Kevin Parker  
Editor-In-Chief

During their February meeting the trustees approved a resolution allowing student members to attend future trustee meetings. The resolution states that the Presidents of the Student Government Association and the Graduate Student Organization will be invited to attend trustee meetings as observers, just as the Secretary of the Faculty and chair of the Committee on Governance. The observers will not be allowed to vote but will be allowed to attend all meetings of the Board except those of the Executive, Executive Compensation, Nominating, and Trusteeship Com-

mittee. They will be able to attend meetings of the Corporation, Academic Planning and Student Affairs, Audit, Budget and Finance, Development, Investment, and Physical Facilities Committees.

A similar motion was presented to the board in 1986 and rejected. The latest effort was spearheaded by several members of the Student Government Association who attended a national conference last summer. There they heard that other schools had student representatives on their Boards of Trustees and they were inspired to seek student representation on WPI's board.

A motion was passed at an SGA meeting last fall to present this re-

quest to the Trustees. The Trustees' Executive Committee discussed this request at its December 7 meeting. Their response was generally positive but they asked for more specifics which were presented at their February meeting by Jennifer Keenan, SGA Vice President.

When asked for her reaction to the approval of the resolution, Keenan said that she was "very, very excited and very happy." She thought the process would take several years to complete and was impressed at how fast it was done.

Keenan did express reservations with the specific resolution wondering if it "might cause the President of SGA to be overextended" which she

would hate to see. At some point Keenan would "like to see free elections for the position." She also worries that the resolution might be too limited because it states that the invitations to attend the meetings will only be given to the specified elected officers and will not permit substitutions. Rick Daigle, SGA President, in his announcements at last Tuesday's SGA meeting, said that the Trustees' intend to develop a rapport with the elected student representatives and thus could not allow substitutions.

It is hoped that student representation on the Board of Trustees will improve direct communication between the Trustees and the students.

## Resolution Regarding: Student Attendance at Trustee Meetings

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#### Proposed Resolution:

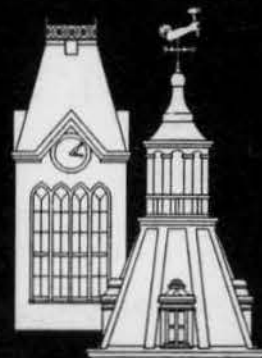
RESOLVED, that the presidents of the Student Government Association and the Graduate Student Organization shall be invited to attend trustee meetings as observers, just as the Secretary of the Faculty and chair of the Committee on Governance. These observers shall not vote and they shall be invited to attend all meetings on the Board except those of the Executive, Executive Compensation, Nominating, and Trusteeship Committees.

# NEWSPEAK

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## IFC places Theta Chi fraternity on probation

by Ray Bert  
Associate Editor

In a decision last Wednesday, the Interfraternity Council placed WPI's Theta Chi chapter on social probation for events stemming from a party on the weekend of February 6th - 7th. The order means that the chapter will not be allowed to host parties for the remainder of C term and the first five weeks of D term.

Five charges were filed against Theta Chi, of which they were found guilty of three. They were judged in violation of an open container rule, disorderly conduct adversely affecting the reputation of the Greek community, and a "good neighbor" policy. The second charge was related to a fight which took place outside of the fraternity, while the third was largely due to noise complaints resulting from the party. Each offense

resulted in two week's probation.

The fraternity was found not guilty of a charge regarding checking ID, and another which forbids the exchange of money where alcohol is present.

According to police logs and other sources, the University of Massachusetts chapter of Theta Chi was in attendance for the party, and problems developed between members of the two chapters. Reportedly, the WPI chapter attempted to remove the UMass chapter from the premises. An altercation ensued which left several people with minor injuries. Both WPI police and WPD responded, and were eventually able to restore order and clear the UMass students. The national chapter was notified by an unknown party and sanctions were reportedly being sought against the UMass chapter for the incident.

Additionally, a report of "underage drinking and socializing" at Theta Chi

was also received by Worcester Police the same night. Sources indicate that a seventeen year old female, a Massachusetts Academy student, was admitted to the party on the basis of her WPI ID, and was subsequently served alcohol. It is unclear whether this incident resulted in the charge brought by IFC,

and no wrongdoing was found by IFC regarding any charges related to underage drinking.

A source who spoke on condition of anonymity was asked whether the charge related to inadequate checking of ID's would have required stiffer penalties. The source declined to com-

ment other than to note that Theta Chi had been cleared of that charge. Additionally, no charges are pending against the fraternity through Worcester Police.

The president and vice-president of Theta Chi were unable to be reached for comment by press time.

## Tenure and promotions for faculty

The WPI Board of Trustees recently promoted or granted tenure to the following faculty members:

Michael A. Gennert was granted tenure and promoted to associate professor of computer science; Brigitte I. Servatius was granted tenure and promoted to associate professor of mathematical sciences.

The trustees granted tenure to Andreas N. Alexandrou, associate

professor of mechanical engineering; Reginald James Duckworth, associate professor of electrical and computer engineering; Tahar El-Korchi, associate professor of civil engineering; Konstantin A. Lurie, professor of mathematical sciences; Wesley T. Mott, associate professor of English; Samuel M. Rankin, professor and head of the Mathematical Science Department; John M. Sullivan, associate professor of mechanical engineering; and John M. Trimbur, associate professor of English.

Promoted were: Anthony G. Dixon to professor of chemical engineering; Roger Yin-Man Lui to professor

of mathematical sciences; Joseph D. Petrucci to professor of mathematical sciences; Brian J. Savilonis to professor of mechanical engineering; Joel J. Brattin to associate professor of English; Christopher A. Brown to associate professor of mechanical engineering; William W. Farr to associate professor of mathematical sciences; Mary M. Hardell to associate professor of computer science; Robert P. Lipton to associate professor of mathematical sciences; Michael J. Radzicki to associate professor of social science and policy studies; and Christopher H. Sotak to associate professor of biomedical engineering.

## Vandalism threatens facilities

by Kevin Parker  
Editor-In-Chief

Several cases of vandalism in WPI buildings have forced the suspension, and potential suspension, of several services provided to the community.

The Founders Hall elevator has been

### New Post for Perry

Roger N. Perry Jr. '45 has been named interim Greek advisor in the Student Life Office. In this part-time position, Perry will serve as the link between WPI and campus fraternities and sororities during the search for permanent successor to Nancy Hunter Denney, who left WPI on Feb. 12 to pursue other personal and professional activities.

Perry officially retired from WPI in 1988 after almost 25 years as director of public relations and, later, as assistant to the vice president for university relations. Since then he has continued on a part-time basis as senior writer for *Quest*, the WPI publication that reports on major gifts to the Institute. He has been alumnus advisor to the WPI chapter of Theta Chi fraternity since 1964 and chair the Greek Alumni Council Committee, which is planning the second annual Greek Leadership Retreat on March 20, 1993.

closed until further notice. This became necessary upon discovery that people were urinating in the elevator.

The late-night study rooms in Fuller Labs could also close. On the evening of February 22 and the morning of February 23 several rooms were damaged. The two study areas were covered with trash including pizza and beer containers. Graffiti was found on the blackboards and the chairs and tables were overturned. The third floor study lounge was also damaged. Pizza and beer containers were also found and there was done to the blinds

and potted trees. These rooms are used as classrooms at 8:00 am so they must be left in good condition.

While the number of students using the late-night study facilities has increased, the entire late night project is in jeopardy because of these incidents. The increased use of the facilities indicates that the service is useful to many students but it might become necessary to close the rooms if vandalism continues. For the time being, both Campus Police and the night watchpersons have been asked to be more visible during the late evening hours in hopes of ending the vandalism.

## Tuition, room, board increased 5%

WPI's Board of Trustees have announced a five percent increase for undergraduate tuition and fees for 1993-94. Last year, the increase was three percent and the year before there was no tuition increase, a decision aimed at bringing WPI's cost better in line with the ability of the families of WPI to pay. Next year's undergraduate tuition and fees will amount to \$15,290. Room and board will increase an average of 5 percent making the annual cost of attendance at WPI \$21,775.

WPI President Jon C. Strauss noted that the five percent increase is consistent with policy to minimize future prices

increases based on justifiable increases in the underlying costs. The resulting revenue will fund financial aid to improve student access, quality and diversity as well as directly support services in the Career Development Center and Student Life Office.

"WPI will continue our need based financial aid policy which attempts to make it possible for all academically qualified, interested students to profit from a WPI education regardless of financial means," says Strauss.

The graduate tuition charge was increased by five percent to \$507 per credit hour.

## Snowban being enforced

by Joe Schaffer  
Newspeak Staff

The Snow Emergency parking ban is in effect for city streets in Worcester. In the event of snow, on major streets, such as Institute, Eleventh, and Salisbury, there is no parking on either side of the street. On minor streets, such as Hackfeld and Boynton, there is parking on only one side of the street. Generally, on side streets, there is no parking on the even side of the street, but there are some exceptions to this rule. Not all Streets are marked and if in doubt as to the legality of parking on a certain street contact the Worcester Police Department. When there is less than two inches of snow on the ground, parking is allowed from 6 am to 2 am. If snow accumulates to more than two inches in depth cars in marked areas are subject to fines and/or removal by tow truck. The fines are \$25 for the parking ticket, a \$35 towing fee, and a storage

charge for each day the vehicle remains at WPD impound lot.

According to WPI Campus Police, the Worcester Police Department has been very active enforcing the ban this year, due to the number of storms. On Friday the Worcester Police towed more than 40 cars that were parked illegally under this law. Since so much snow has fallen, when cars remain parked on the streets, it becomes more difficult for emergency and service vehicles to travel the streets during heavy snowfalls. Snow bans are announced on the radio, television, and in the newspaper. Due to the lack of parking in the lots around here it would be advised that in the event of a storm to watch for announcements of this law going into effect in the local media. The parking ban remains in effect from 2am-6am from December 1 to March 31. If you have any questions about the winter parking ban call the Traffic Division of the Worcester City Police at 799-8674.

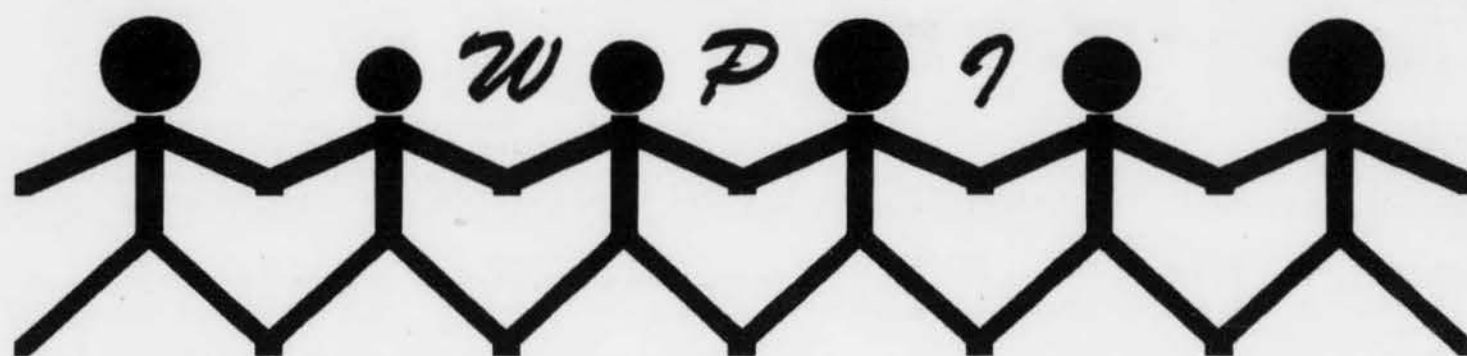
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Kyle Stephens  
Matt Whitten

### SGA Election Results

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## SPORTS

## Women's ski team wraps up season; goes into post-season competition

John Grossi, Sports Editor  
and Tori Pesek, Contributing Writer

Looking outside this winter one can not help but notice the sheer amount of snow that has fallen. I have heard people say that this is the first real winter that New England has had in a decade. Whether or not the amount of snow affected it is in doubt but one thing can be said, the Women's Alpine Ski Team has done great in its regular schedule and ended up in post-season competition.

The women compete under the umbrella of the United States Collegiate Ski Association at a varsity level in a league composed of nine teams (Babson, St. Anselm, Boston University, Green Mountain College (VT), University of Massachusetts at Lowell, Franklin Pierce College, Connecticut College, New Hampshire Technical Institute). The women's season involves 5 meets at various ski resorts in Northern New England. Each of these meets consists of two separate and different races, a slalom and a giant slalom. The difference

between these two races is that the slalom is short tight turns, whereas the giant slalom has longer more gradual turns. The slalom occurs on Saturday and the giant slalom occurs on Sunday. On each of these days, all of the participants get a run in the morning, and if they are successful on this run, an afternoon run. The participants score is then the combined score of these two runs.

The first meet of the women's season was at King Ridge Ski Area in New Hampshire on Sunday January 17th. The women placed second and did "really well" in the words of Tori Pesek. The following weekend the competition moved to Loon Mountain Ski Area in Lincoln, New Hampshire. On this bright day the women excelled in the slalom while lagging in the giant slalom. The women were rather surprised at their average performance since they had skied there in the time trials for the team. The following weekend the women moved a few miles up I-93 to Cannon Mountain, in Franconia. On this cold and steep mountainside the team continued its lackluster performance in the giant slalom and due to icing conditions did

abysmally in the slalom.

Things took a turn for the better at the next meet at Dartmouth Skiway in Lyme, New Hampshire. Whatever malaise had been gripping the team lifted as the women trashed their competition in their first win of the season. Tori Pesek came in second in the giant slalom. Tori's considerable lead over third place raised the team average sufficiently enough to give WPI the win. Beth McGee and Kylie Schoenrock both finished in the top fifteen out of sixty-five skiers. There strong performances combined to give WPI the win in team scoring which is the combined score of the top three finishers of the team.

The next meet took place occurred the following day at Tenney Ski Area, Plymouth NH, Nisa Tristiano, a freshman, had a strong performance that lifted the team back into a competitive standing in the league. At this point in the season the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth teams in the league only had a small spread of points between them and one performance could easily have turned the tables. By the end of the weekend, WPI moved up from sixth to fifth, eating away many of the points keeping them out of competition.

The final meet of the season was at Haystack Mountain in Vermont. WPI finished third both days on this fast course. The speed of the course was increased by a rise at the end of the course that sent many of the skiers airborne. This race had a lot of spirit as many WPI alumni who had been on the team showed up to root for the Engineers. At the end of this weekend the women had lifted themselves to

third place in the league behind St Anselm's College of New Hampshire, a traditionally strong skiing school and the University of Massachusetts at Lowell. This finish gave the women their first ever invitation to regional competition.

On February 19th and 20th the Regional Competition was held at Waterville Valley, New Hampshire. The teams that competed at this event were from the three divisions in New England and the six divisions from all of New York. Schools such as Boston College, Tufts, the University of Rhode Island, and Yale were there that day to compete against WPI. The giant slalom competition was held on Friday. At the end of the day the women were in a respectable thirteenth place and seven places behind of St. Anselm's. The team of five that carried WPI's standard at this competition were; Captain Beth McGee, Amy Bowman, Kylie Schoenrock, Nisa Tristiano, and Tori Pesek. The women while not shining were extremely good and had a fine day. Nisa Tristiano, placed 58th, Kylie Schoenrock was ahead of her in 54th, Beth McGee was in 46th place, and Tori Pesek lead the WPI skiers in 21st place. The following day was the slalom competition of the event. Tori Pesek finished fourth in this event, which made her eighth overall for the competition. Freshman Amy Bowman who showed much promise in the Giant Slalom was unable to ski in the second event due to an injury. WPI finished 9th in the giant slalom. This moved them to 11th overall among all the teams competing and first in their division.

## BASKETBALL STATS

## Women's totals

Player	g	gs	fg	fga	3fg	3fga	ft	fta	pts	rebs	ast	to	blk	stl
Pigone	23	23	110	353	0	3	31	56	251	135	76	100	6	39
Buzzel	23	21	104	226	0	0	31	54	239	150	14	59	25	6
King	9	7	28	99	0	0	24	39	80	25	23	29	2	11
McCabe	23	23	69	163	0	0	51	89	189	208	8	55	8	9
Moser	22	13	45	154	0	0	32	52	122	109	21	45	6	19
Plog	23	0	33	95	0	0	50	75	116	76	2	27	0	5
Lovin	19	1	39	99	0	0	14	29	92	93	2	14	5	13
Plante	23	14	44	106	0	10	19	32	107	62	63	87	1	26
Jones	20	15	25	81	0	4	22	42	72	75	53	56	1	33

## Men's totals

Player	g	gs	fg	fga	3fg	3fga	ft	fta	pts	rebs	ast	to	blk	stl
Weinwurm	25	25	168	353	0	3	115	167	451	209	40	55	37	48
Golden	20	20	128	250	0	0	85	118	341	147	18	40	61	16
Richards	23	23	108	230	20	39	91	118	327	103	81	58	6	71
Hawley	25	22	117	248	29	78	66	98	329	81	70	50	3	45
Naughton	25	9	52	118	8	31	60	75	172	99	30	38	20	21
Kijak	19	17	45	101	0	11	36	58	126	31	51	55	1	25
Casey	18	1	30	46	0	0	15	24	75	28	6	10	4	6
Ennis	20	2	17	46	1	11	14	21	49	26	16	24	1	16
Hamel	21	4	14	32	5	16	16	22	49	23	26	29	0	20
Chase	22	0	12	35	0	0	17	25	41	29	2	9	4	3

## Season results

## Women's team

11/21	Nichols	73-5	W	A	17
11/22	Clark	55-7	L	A	22
11/24	Fch St Col	67-5	W	H	53
11/28	Fghm St Col	66-5	W	A	50
12/1	BSC	59-6	L	A	75
12/4	Castleton	63-3	W	A	55
12/5	Gordon	58-6	L	H	62
1/9	UMass-Dart	47-6	L	H	88
1/12	Coast Guard	47-4	W	H	10
1/15	Trinity	55-6	L	A	15
1/19	WNEC	46-6	L	H	55
1/23	Pine Manor	56-4	W	A	76
1/26	Amherst	54-5	W	H	65
1/28	Mt. Holyoke	56-5	W	A	12
1/30	Smith	47-5	L	H	11
2/3	Brandeis	43-7	L	A	12
2/9	Wellesley	48-8	L	H	11
2/11	MIT	81-5	W	H	83
2/13	Clark	58-7	L	H	22
2/16	Wheaton	60-7	L	A	78
2/18	Nichols	50-5	L	A	75
2/20	Babson	60-6	L	A	10
2/24	Wheaton	59-9	L	A	12

## Men's team

11/20	Clark	81-82	L	A	42
11/21	Nichols	82-72	W	A	32
11/28	MIT	94-66	W	H	68
12/2	Babson	74-87	L	A	30
12/5	Clark	57-50	W	A	55
12/8	Anna Maria	90-10	L	A	27
12/10	Wentworth	94-69	W	A	58
1/8	Whittier	77-92	L	A	11
1/9	Hartwick	54-74	L	A	92
1/12	Salve Rgn	75-62	W	H	25
1/14	WSC	87-10	L	H	22
1/16	WNEC	81-52	W	H	15
1/20	Brandeis	91-11	L	A	32
1/27	Trinity	59-68	L	H	22
1/30	Coast Grd	66-81	L	A	13
2/2	Norwich	83-51	W	H	21
2/4	Suffolk	93-74	W	H	12
2/6	Tufts	82-71	W	H	36
2/9	Nichols	80-75	W	A	11
2/13	Babson	82-99	L	H	68
2/16	WNEC	83-70	W	A	75
2/18	MIT	89-73	W	A	12
2/20	Coast Grd	79-76	W	H	22
2/21	Norwich	81-61	W	A	95
2/23	Amherst	69-74	L	H	27

## Wrestling ends second in New England

by Nat Fairbanks  
Class of '95

After wrapping up their regular season with a 17-2 record, WPI Wrestling placed second among Division III New England colleges at the New England Championship Tournament. Seven WPI wrestlers placed from the ten weight classes. John Roy, a senior, dominated the tournament at the 190 lb weight class, earning his third straight New England Championship. Roy pinned his first three opponents handily, and continued to dominate by beating his remaining opponents by at least ten points. Roy is anticipated to excel in the national tournament, after finishing seventh for the past two years, earning him the title of All American twice. Matt Wassel, a sophomore, placed first in the tournament at 167 lbs as well, also earning him the right to travel to the National Championships to be held at Coast Guard this weekend.

George Chu, a sophomore, placed second at 126 lbs, only losing to Fitch from Norwich.

Pete Grabowski, Lionel Bella and Rich DeStefano all placed third. Grabowski, a senior, wrestled at 142 lbs, and showed his dedication by wrestling intensely, even though he was injured. Bella, a junior at 158 lbs, and DeStefano, a sophomore transfer student at heavyweight, earned points vital for the team's success. Mark Simon placed sixth at 134 lbs, to help WPI clinch second place. Simon showed true determination, placing even as a freshman.

WPI Wrestling has developed a taste for winning, consistently finishing as one of the top Division III wrestling teams in New England for more than a decade, and has been ranked as high as fourteenth in the nation in recent polls. A tradition of excellence has been bred into the WPI Wrestling program, and the team will continue to shine in the future, since the young team has a deep roster that will provide strong replacements for the graduating seniors. This constant success has proven that WPI is not only strong academically but athletically as well.

## Sports Snipits

## WPI Lands Three on All-Conference Teams

The senior tri-captains of the WPI basketball team have been nominated to either the first or second All-Constitution Athletic Conference teams.

Selected to first team All-CAC was 6'6" forward Chris Weinwurm, who leads the 14-11 Engineers in scoring (18.0 ppg) and rebounding (8.4 pg). Weinwurm ranks 14th in WPI all-time scoring with 1,013 points. Elected to second team all-conference were 6'7" center Jason Golden and 5'11" guard Chris Richards. Golden, WPI's all-time shot blocker (184) is the team's second leading scorer (17.1 ppg) despite ending his season two weeks ago with a broken hand. Golden, an all-CAC first team selection as a junior, ends his career tenth on the WPI all-time scoring list. Richards, averaging 14.2 ppg, leads the Engineers with 81 assists (3.5 pg) and 71 steals (3.1 pg).

## Weinwurm Reaches 1,000 Career Points

WPI senior Chris Weinwurm recorded his 1,000th career point in basketball Tuesday night. Weinwurm, a 6-6 forward tri-captain, hit the mark early in the second half of the Engineers 74-69 loss to Amherst. Weinwurm, last week's Constitution Athletic Conference "Player of the Week" and ECAC Honor Roll selection, now has 1,013 points. He is the team's leading scorer (18.0 ppg) and rebounder (9.7 pg).

A biotechnology major, Weinwurm is now the 14th leading scorer in WPI history. He also holds a school record in rebounds per game with 22 set against Salve Regina this season.

## Women's Lacrosse to start practices

So what if there is three feet of snow on the ground...

Women's Lacrosse practice starts on **Monday March 15**. If you are not going to be back from break then show up when you get back. Practice times for the first week will be posted on the doors of Harrington, we will also be meeting in Harrington.

As always: No Experience Necessary. Come learn how to play, it's a lot of fun. If you have played for us before, we can't wait to see you.

If you have sat on the couch all winter long, do something over spring break. Try to be in shape. There are already eleven games scheduled for this season with the first one on March 25. If you have any questions please drop a note in the mail box in the Student Activities Office, or talk to Marybeth Kelleher or Tori Pesek..

## ATTENTION SPORTS CLUBS

Newspeak is now looking for clubs spring schedules to print. If your club wants to be included then send a schedule to John Grossi, Sports Editor, box 2700, or e-mail either newspeak@wpi or qasama@wpi



## ARTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT

Chain Link Fence, *Reckless* smashing successes

by Brian Waehler  
Class of '96

On Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights, Chain Link Fence and MW Rep played to large audiences in Gompei's Function Room. The show started at eight with Chain Link Fence, WPI's improvisation group, giving their performance. Their routine was anything but routine, varying from an act in which the members took turns making up their own scripts, two at a time, to an act where there were two people having a conversation and a third playing the conscience of one of the people, making comments in the background.

In the first of these two examples, a member of the group who was watching the two members perform a script would tell them to stop, then that person would take the place of one of the people or tell someone else to take someone's place. The replacement would then begin a totally new skit, with the other person playing along. These skits ranged from a rehearsal for a Shakespearean play to one member demanding the shoelaces of another. In the second of these examples, the scene was confession. Dawn Varacchi was the priest, Michael Bleyhl was the sinner, and Jim Moore was the priest's conscience. The sinner had a long history of sin, such as burning down churches, which evoked many interesting comments from the conscience.

MW Rep was the second performance,

which was the play *Reckless* by Craig Lucas. The main character was Rachel Fitzsimmons, played by Kristin Sullivan. On Christmas Eve, Rachel's husband Tom (Harrison Ripps) informs his wife that he had taken a contract out on her life. He tells Rachel to leave while she still can, and she ends up in the home of Lloyd and Pooty (Walker Hagius and Heather Abbot). Lloyd and Pooty invite Rachel to live with them and Lloyd gets her a job. The next

Christmas Eve, Rachel's husband returns and he and Pooty are accidentally killed. Afraid of being accused of murder, Rachel takes Lloyd and they leave. Many years later, after Lloyd had died from lack of food since he stopped eating after Pooty died, Rachel is living in a shelter and is unable to talk about her past. The doctor who runs the shelter (Dawn Varacchi) helps her deal with her past. Rachel eventually makes a full recovery and

becomes a psychiatrist. One day later in her life, she receives a surprise when her son, Tom J. (also played by Harrison Ripps) shows up in her office.

I had trouble understanding what the play was all about and sometimes it made no sense at all, but this doesn't hurt my opinion of the great performance of all who were in the play. Good job to MW Rep and also to Chain Link Fence.

## Electric Insiders

## Wages of War, Mortal Kombat

by Andrew Watts  
Newspeak Staff

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Well, it's been a while, and now I know what C-term at WPI means - seven weeks in hell. Anyway, it looks like I might actually survive it. Only this final week will tell. I just hope there aren't too many more straws put on my back, or it will definitely break. Back to the world of entertainment!

Quest for Glory III: Wages of War  
Sierra® 1992  
IBM PC and Compatibles, Hard Drive  
Recommended, VGA/EGA monitor required

Surviving the encounter against the wizard by preventing him from summoning the Djinn that would make him supreme ruler in Rawshir, you go to Tarna, and try to prevent a bloody and costly war. Your old allies, Rakesh the Liontair Paladin, and Simbani Warrior-Woman Uhura, accompany you to their home in East Fricana, where Tarna and the Simbani Village await your visit. Here you must prove each of your skills and learn new ones in the primitive land. As you arrive, you cannot help but wonder that an evil force,

above all else, is directing all the forces of the land to war. You must prevent the coming of the war and do it fast!

This game is another Sierra Classic-to-be, accompanied by a great soundtrack, stunning graphics and an excellent story plot, all become trademarks of the Sierra success story. This is the most replayable Sierra game, since you can be one of three classes, fighter, wizard or thief. The fighter has the strong arm for hacking and slashing. The wizard is the mystic master of magic. The thief is the hardest character to play, since the penalty for stealing in East Fricana is extreme, and you must use your wits and agility above all else, since you have no strength, and if you do have magic, it will most likely not suffice. This is a definite buy for all Sierra fans.

A Special Look:  
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Video Arcade Format

Out of many of the combat, one-on-one games in the arcades, this game even supersedes Street Fighter 2, which in many cases is amazing. The new characters are Liu Kang (Shaolin Warrior), Kano (Mercenary Warrior), Scorpion and Sub-Zero (Ninja Specialists), Raiden (Japanese Thunder God), Sonya (Special Forces Combatant), Johnny Cage (Hollywood Martial Artists), Goro (2000 year old undefeated half man, half dragon) and Shang Tsung (Archmage).

In addition to the new special attacks of the eight characters, there are special maneuvers that will kill your opponent after you have made him helpless (defeating him twice, leaving his stamina at zero, he or she stands and cannot defend). If performed, this maneuver will give you a special bonus (through another trick of the joystick and buttons) of 100,000 points! Raiden blast his opponent's head off with lightning, Cage beheads his opponent with a fierce punch, Sub-Zero rips off his opponent's head and spine, Liu Kang goes through a fatal combination of dragon kicks, Sonya blows a kiss of death (fire) to her opponent, and Scorpion takes off this mask and breathes first from his exposed skull.

All of the combatants have missile attacks. Raiden can hurl himself at opponents as well as teleport behind them. Sonya can do a double leg throw. Cage can do a mirror-image kick. Kano can fly at opponents crouched up in a metal ball. Scorpion can throw a grappling hook at this opponent. Sub-Zero can do a fast low flying kick (this is deceptively deadly, for you are all but helpless against his next attack). Liu Kang can do a fast flying side-kick.

As you probably have guessed by now, in addition to a great heavy metal soundtrack this game is incredibly violent and gore-filled. This is not a game for young kids. This has incredible potential if and when it becomes available for video-game or computer formats.

## Rhythms of Africa and the Caribbean

By Eric Craft  
Class of '95

Three percussion ensembles performed Thursday night, February 25 in the basement of Alden Hall. The Joy of Music Program (JOMP), the WPI percussion ensemble, and a group called Cabildo played two full hours of complex African and Caribbean rhythms.

The evening started off with JOMP. This group was composed of children between the ages of 9 and 12 years old. These young artists were under the direction of Michael Wingfield. Wingfield studied African and Caribbean percussion at the Berklee School of Music in the mid 1970's. He now teaches the children's classes at the Joy of Music Program in Worcester and works with the Five College Dance Department in Amherst. The JOMP musicians played a few different pieces which were to the "Orishas", or gods of West African folklore. Before each piece Michael would quiz his students on what each song was about and what the words in the song meant.

The second group that played was the WPI Percussion Ensemble. This group had two

special guests: Jim Heffernan and Ramcy Mettle. Jim Heffernan is a Class of 1985 WPI graduate. When he was here, he was active with the WPI stage band and Jazz Ensemble. Jim went to Koforidua, Ghana, Africa to teach electrical principles at a secondary school. While there, he learned more about percussion from master percussionist Modesto Amegago. Jim instructed this group in the drumming styles of Ghana. Ramcy Mettle is a native of Ghana. He began playing drums when he was three. He mentioned that because funerals are festive occasions in Ghana, he would sneak into funerals to play his drums during the funeral. Ramcy has toured England, Africa, and then in 1979 he came to Boston. Ramcy played lead drums with Jim to give the music life beyond the basic rhythms.

Cabildo consisted of four musicians: Michael Wingfield, Edwin Rodriguez, Victor Jaroslaw, and special guest Amma Mcken. This group's performance went through three phases: dances and songs honoring the Orishas (deities of West African folklore of the Yoruba), beats utilizing the "guiro" form which uses bells and conga drums, and finally types of the rumba and comparsa performed at street fairs, carnivals, and parties. The

final set was similar to the conga lines familiar to people at parties. The audience sang and clapped along with the musicians.

All of the groups that played shared a different part of the cultures they represented. The beats were a complex intermixing of bells, (which were responsible for keeping the main beat), and various other rhythm instruments. Amma Mcken of Cabildo used her incredible voice to pick up the melody for all of the pieces that this group did. She made the music come and wrap its arms around you while the drums kept pace with her singing and made it seem natural. Cabildo had an especially effective song which simulated the ocean, both when it was calm (slow rhythm) and when the ocean was in a whirl-pool (a quick loud) beat with Amma Mcken doing a swirling, spinning quick dance.

The evening was a wonderful mix of cultures. The room was so crowded that people were left standing. It was very difficult for the audience to keep still. The beats were so infectious that people from the audience even came up to dance to the foreign beats. This event was sponsored by the WPI Jazz Group and the Black History Month Committee and was hosted by Prof. Rich Falco.



Jim Heffernan WPI class of 1985 performs with the WPI Percussion Ensemble last Thursday.

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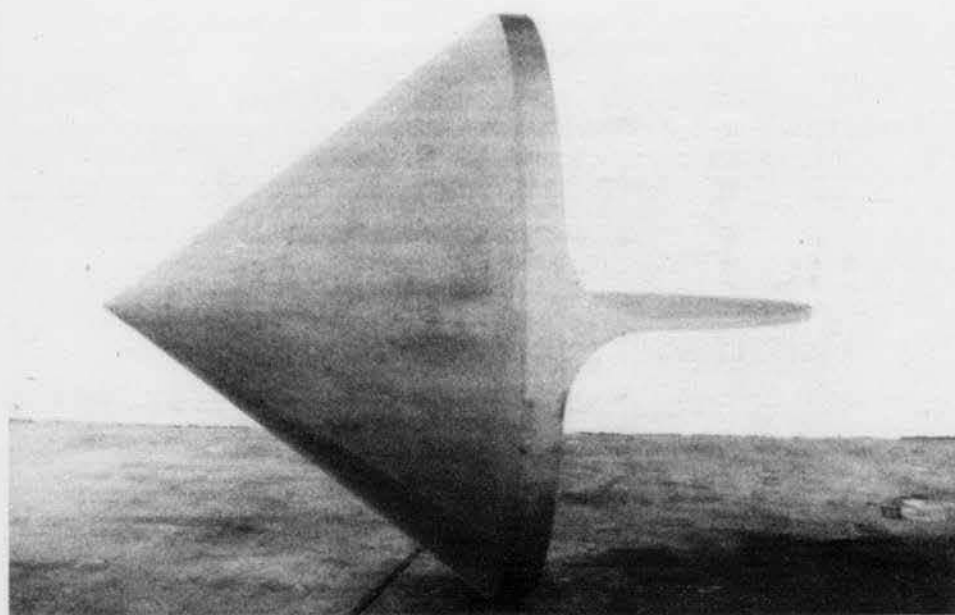
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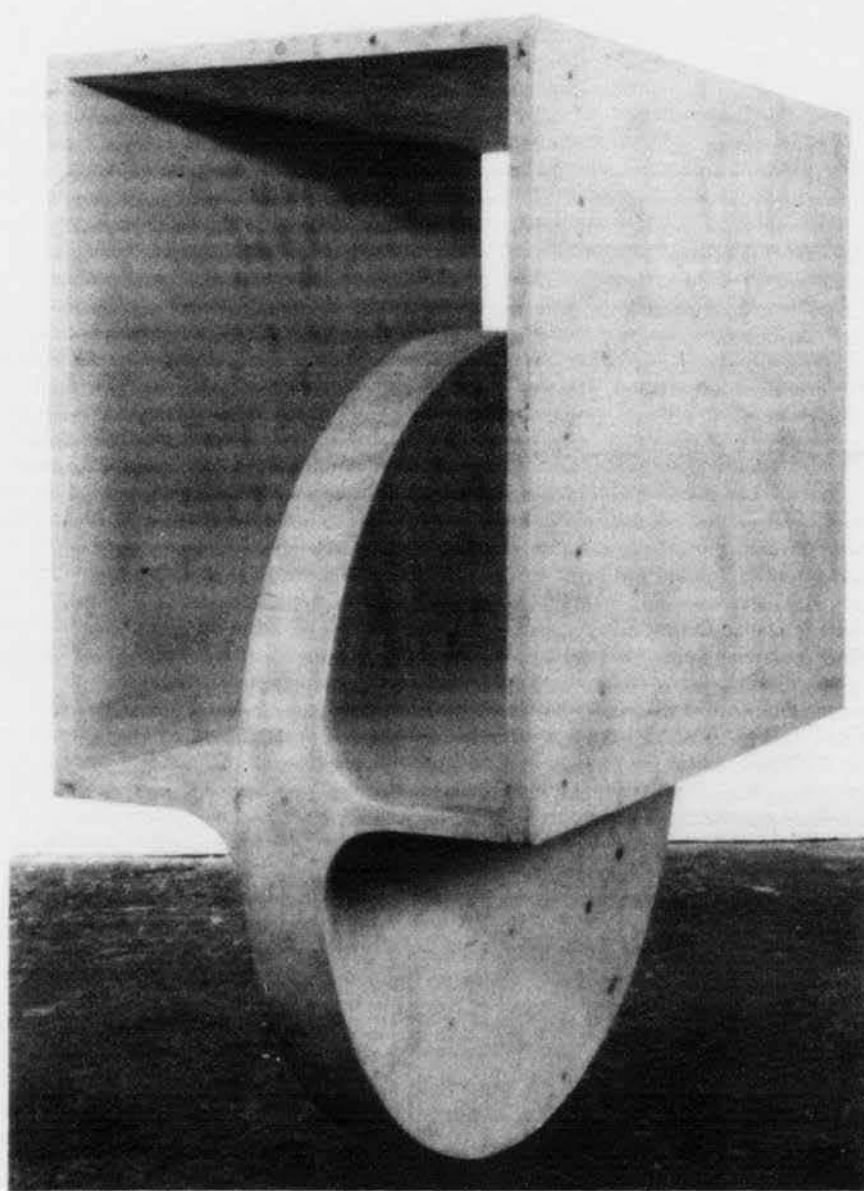
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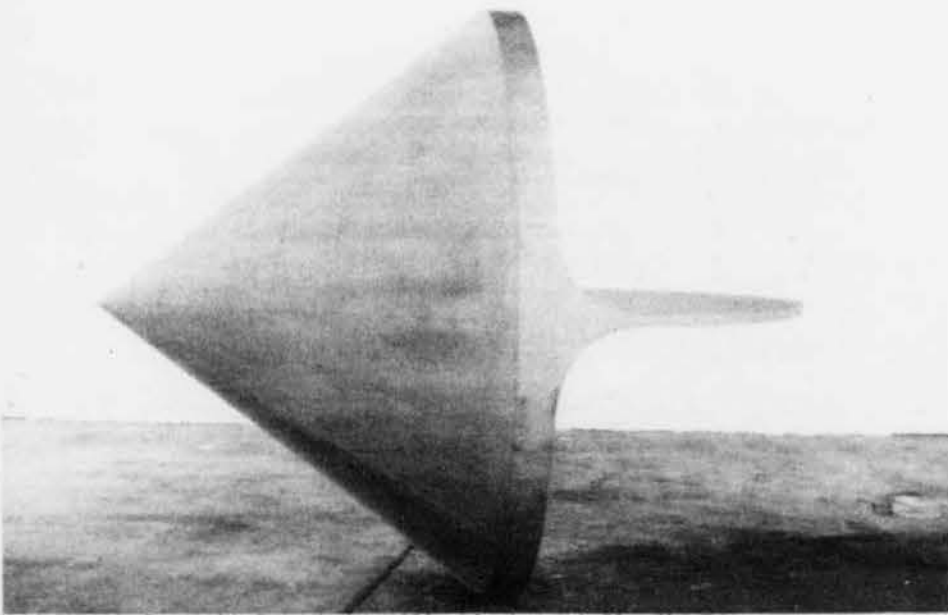
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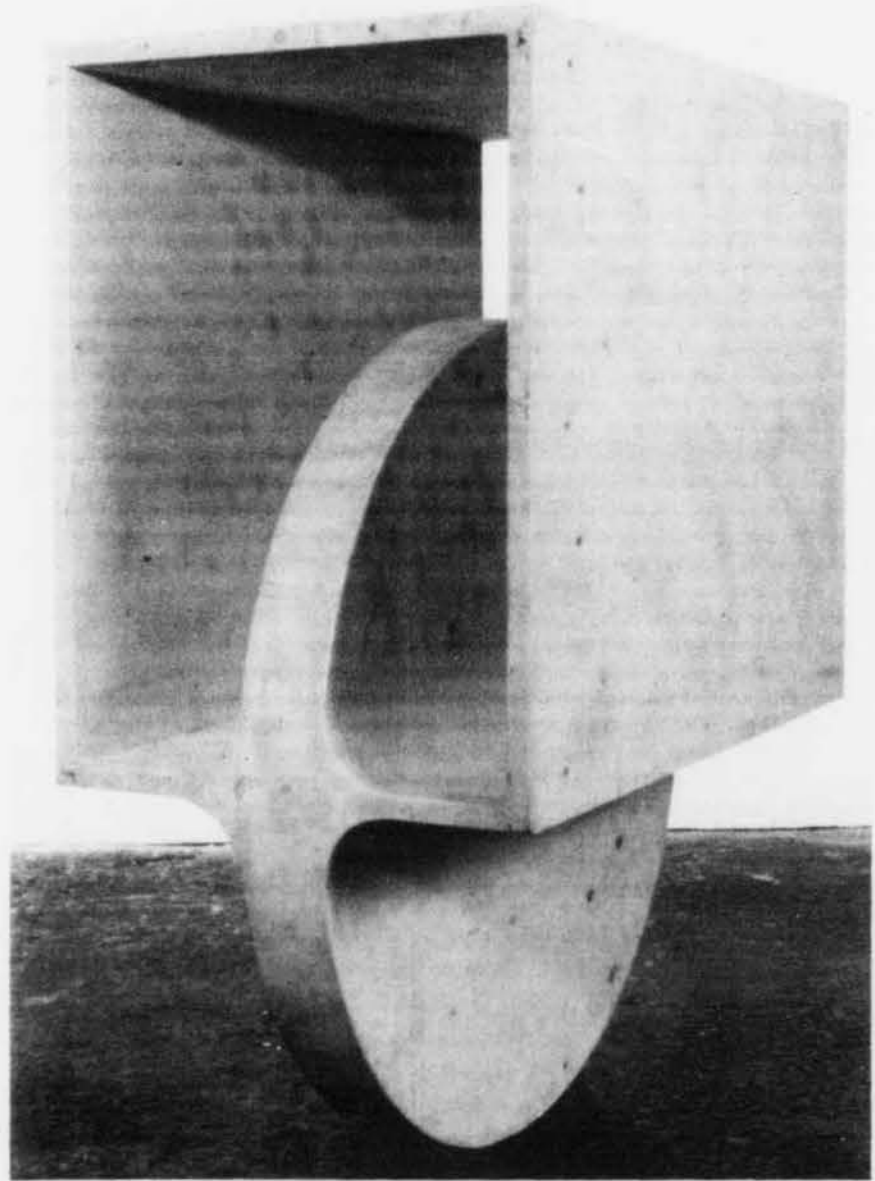
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## EDITORIAL

The total average cost to live on campus at WPI will break \$21,000 for the first time, a 5% increase from last year. I wonder how this is supposed to be spent on our campus next year.

I realize an actual campus center is out of the question. I've already been receiving calls that if, as an alumnus, would I be willing to give money to help build the campus center, if they actually decide to build one. That's a lot of if's.

Let's start with something simple like student safety. Has anyone noticed the sidewalks around campus. OK, not actually the sidewalks, but the two inch layer of ice on top of the sidewalks. You'd think with those self-enclosed mini-plows they have going around campus, there would be a clear sidewalk somewhere (or at least a salted one).

The WPI police. I've noticed complaints on both non-WPI students in the gym, as well as the total lack of warning for when the parking lots and streets will be plowed. I figured after seeing reports of non-students in our gyms for the past two weeks, the problem had been

taken care of. I was in Harrington Auditorium last night playing basketball for a few hours. These extended hours are no good if they don't actually bring the side hoops down or push the bleachers in. I realize that our men's basketball team just played the best game I've ever seen them in against Coast Guard, and if you missed it, it's definitely your loss, but I think there was enough time to put everything back the way it was. So I played round-robin games on an end hoop. Not only do we have limited gym facilities, but those high-schoolers were there. And not in two and a half hours did any type of security personnel drop by to check on things.

Snow plowing. We've received a great deal of snow this year. Apparently Worcester thinks so too. They've enforced their snow ban policy for the first time I've seen since coming to school here. With no warning from the WPI police or any RA's, the next morning in front of Founders Hall, one side of Boynton Street was almost completely bare of cars. A shock for many residents who have to park on the street because there aren't enough parking spots on campus to

accommodate the students. Two of my roommates do have stickers to park behind Founders. Every now and again the lot is plowed. Last week, residents were given about three or four hours warning to move their cars. One of my friends was around to hear the warning, and moved his car to the library lot, for fear of it being towed in the street. The other was in class straight through. They both got tickets. One for leaving his car in the lot to be plowed, and one for moving his car into a lot he didn't have a sticker for. Makes you wonder.

These are just some problems I've personally encountered around campus. WPI may be in some financial difficulty, but there are colleges with approximately our population, bigger campuses, but charge less. I am dissatisfied with some areas in this school, and I tell that to prospective freshmen touring the school. I believe one of the major jobs of this institution is to keep students satisfied, and if this tuition increase is not enough to bring us up to standards of student satisfaction, WPI will be in difficulty indeed.

## COMMENTARY

## TFM

## Cracker breaks WPI open

by Megazone

We postpone the normal help column to bring some actual important news.

Hello, I have some rather important points to make this time around, so please stick with me. I may use some terms that I haven't yet covered, if you have questions please

send them.

On Sunday, February 21, I checked into IRC looking for a friend. While I was there I tried to check with NickServ for some information. Instead of the normal NickServ I received a reply that to me was obviously fake. The impostor requested that users send their Internet address and password, and that NickServ would use the same password.

This was a major warning sign. You should NEVER give your password out to anyone, especially a total stranger on the networks.

So I traced the NickServ to an address and sent email asking what was up. He replied and outright told me he was trying to break into other accounts. I continued to play dumb and pump him for information. In a short time he had sent me a file with over 600 WPI account names and passwords. The whole time I was in contact with the authorities and forwarding important information.

I later researched the situation and I've been in contact with operators from other sites the cracker had used. He simply called a public dialup and from there connected to a system in Michigan. He managed to find an account with a simple password and set up a base of operations. From there he ran his program on IRC and recorded any passwords people sent to him. He would use these passwords to connect to other systems and crack the password files. This is one of the major reasons to never distribute your password, you not only endanger your account, but others as well.

Passwords are stored in an encrypted format that is useless to a cracker as is. However, there are public domain programs which are designed to break this encryption. The cracker ran a program, "Crack", which uses Unix standard encryption to encrypt usernames, real names, and the dictionary, and then compares the encrypted words to the encrypted passwords. If you get a match you have the password. I know of one other site which was

cracked in the same way by this individual.

This program will only work on passwords using standard encryption, which WPI normally doesn't. However, we are currently in the midst of a switch to a new system and were relying on the standard for the time being. This left us with a slight vulnerability, of course if a user here had not given out their password, none of this would have happened.

As best as I can determine the cracker was given the password to a WPI account, which I won't name, and logged in on Sunday, February 14, to confirm the validity of the password. He then returned to the same account on Friday, February 19, and uploaded the crack program. That evening he ran the crack program on the file. He returned Saturday, February 20, logging into several accounts, and again on Sunday. That Sunday I found him running his scam on IRC and logged all of his activities. Monday he was picked up by the authorities.

He had been under observation for some time and the operators at the site he was using have a history of his activities. This wasn't the first time he had cracked other sites. They had been watching to discover all of the sites the cracker had compromised and seal the holes he had used. When it was discovered that he was using them as a base to crack other systems they accelerated their schedule and locked him out. Actions are pending against him and the threat this individual posed has been neutralized. As a stop gap to prevent the cracked accounts from being exploited, he sent the passwords to me and no one

knows how many others, all users who's accounts had been cracked were required to enter their Student ID number and change their password.

The moral: Do not use a password that will be in the dictionary. Do not use your account name for a password. Do not use a proper name for a password. Do not use a variant of these.

At WPI 24 people had 'password' set as their password, and far too many used their account name. All of the accounts cracked were cracked because their password fell into one of the above categories. When you choose a password use random characters, or fictional words. Sometimes a slang word will be easy to remember and fulfill the above requirements. Use a pattern on the keyboard, a diamond, or zig-zag, and mix in capitalization. Use of punctuation adds a degree of security. However, do not simply add a number to a standard word, most crack programs will catch this.

System security relies on intelligence on the part of all users. Please do not choose simple passwords, and never give your password to others.

Other updates: WPI recently moved some system resources. The DAT and TK50 tape drives are now both on bigwpi. The 9 track (magtape) drive is still on wpi. On wpi 'get\_tape' is sufficient to reserve the drive. However, on bigwpi you must choose the drive; 'get\_tape dat' or 'get\_tape tk50'. Use 'give\_tape' in the same way.

Email questions to megazone, or mail to Newspeak, Box 2700, Attn. TFM.

## Cavey's Corner

### A real sports fan

by Marc DiPietro  
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Before I explain my purpose for writing this article, I think I should introduce myself. My name is Marc DiPietro, but everyone on campus knows me as "Cavey", a cute little name I picked up last year. You may have seen me around campus wearing a white and green Celtics cap and a Bruins jersey (No. 4, Bobby Orr). I've watched all four major sports (baseball, basketball, football, and hockey) since I started elementary school, and I'm a very big fan of Boston sports.

My purpose for writing this article is to fill a gap that I believe has been missing from Newspeak since I've been reading it. In the sports section of every paper I have ever read, big or small, there is always a commentary column that contains the opinions of the writer discussing the current events not only in local teams but in all of the teams in their respective leagues. Newspeak does not have such a column. I know that Newspeak prides itself on being a newspaper with all of the things that other newspapers have. That is why I asked a prominent member of the Newspeak staff if I could help make the paper more complete by writing this sports commentary column. I was given a chance and this is it. However, there is no point in writing this column if the response to the writing, not the opinions, is negative. I need your input. Tell me what you like or dislike about what I say. I would love to hear from those out there that agree with me, and I would even like to talk to those who disagree. Please send all comments to my e-mail address (monty@wpi) and I'll do my best to get back to you.

Now I thought for this first column I would write about what a true sports fan really is.....

1. A true sports fan is someone who backs a team, not an individual. There is no such thing as a Michael Jordan fan. There is such a thing as a Chicago Bulls fan. One man does not win the championships. A person can idolize a player. Hell, I think Bobby Orr was

the best player to ever put on skates, but I will never say that he won the Cup, the Bruins won the Cup.

2. A true sports fan that loves one team, will want that team's arch-rival to die miserably. How can someone be a die-hard Celtics fan and have any iota of liking for the L.A. Lakers? The teams are about the same as the Democrats and the Republicans, believe me, they're not the same. A Patriots fan, like myself, loves to see the fish (Miami Dolphins) get squished. It is almost a given that devotion to one team means damnation for the rival.

3. A true sports fan sticks with his team, no matter how bad it gets. This doesn't mean you can't curse them to the lowest ring of Dante's Inferno. I swore my head off at the T.V. when Bill Buckner couldn't bend over to pick up a basically easy ground ball in Game 6 of the 1986 World Series. I couldn't stand to hear the words "Red Sox" for weeks, but to this day I am a Red Sox fan who believes that somehow, if possible, they will win it all. A true sports fan would never abandon that team.....because there's always next year.

4. Finally, a true sports fan takes his lumps and losses. The true fan will always respect the talent of the opponent in the event of all crucial loss, granted that there is no major controversy. Even when the arch-rival of the fan's team beats that team, the true fan will accept the loss and wait for revenge later. The true fan never looks for excuses. For example, in the 1982 NBA Eastern Conference Finals between Boston and Philadelphia, Philly beat Boston. They were going to play the Lakers, Boston's arch-rivals. In a total surprise to everyone witnessing the event, the Boston crowd, known as the harshest in the league, began chanting, "Beat L.A., Beat L.A.!" The crowd took their lumps and wished the victors well.

It would be a real miracle if everyone was a true sports fan, but in the here and now, any team will take in as many fans as they can, temporary or permanent. I hope you enjoy reading this column, and I look forward to your responses, good or bad.

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## COMMENTARY

## Demosthenes

*Bosnia-Herzegovina, a land of our contradictions*

In 1919 by the treaty of St. Germain the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats, and Slovenes was formed from the wreckage of the Hapsburg ruled Austro-Hungarian Empire. Following the Second World War the monarchy was abolished and Josip Broz Tito's band of Communist resistance fighters came into control of the government in Belgrade, the ancient capital of Serbia. Tito's brand of communism isolated Yugoslavia after his fall out with the Soviet Union's General Secretary Josef Stalin in 1948. This isolation continued till Tito's death in 1980. Movements were made during this time to integrate the country, into a Federal structure along the lines of the American Republic of 1783. Unfortunately the melting pot of nationalities, demanded more rights, and freedom. These retrograde tendencies increased over the last decade until finally the Serbians and Montenegrins refused to elect a Croat President as the rotation of the Federal Presidency demanded. This event precipitated the unravelling of this Balkan Confederacy that was created following the First World War to give Greece's royal family a new home.

Over the last year Slovenia and Croatia have been formed from the states of the same name that were once a part of the Serbian dominated Yugoslavia. This precipitated the rise of bands of paramilitary Serbian Nationalists that have attempted to take large portions of Croatia and Slovenia and "ethnically cleanse" them of non-Serbs. Slovenia being fairly far from Serbia and having a fairly small Serbian population broke away with only a few tight moments and was able to retain all its territory. Croatia which shares common borders with Serbia and its province of Vojvodina was not so lucky. Fully one third of Croatia fell to Serbian paramilitary groups before a United Nations brokered cease-fire succeeded in restoring some

semblance of peace to that area of a war torn nation. Last March the state of Bosnia-Herzegovina, which shares common borders with Montenegro, and Serbia (Accused of supporting and augmenting the activities of the Serbian Paramilitary groups operating in the non-Serbian portions of the former Yugoslavia) declared independence from Yugoslavia. A three sided Civil War started as a result of this action between Croatian, Serbian, and Bosnian (Muslim) militiamen (and women) that has occupied the world's attention for most of a year.

Recently *Life* Magazine has done several features on the Nationalities issue that have cropped up in the former Soviet Block with the disintegration of the Russian Communist Party. One of these articles was on the Jews in Latvia, another of these article was on a female brigade of Bosnian snipers. Many moving and heart wrenching stories have come out of this war, as well as many disturbing ones. Few can contain the reports of ethnic cleansing on the part of the Serbian Nationalist that has been reported to have occurred in Serbian Enclaves of Croatia as well as across the whole Bosnia-Herzegovina. Talk of War Crimes has proliferated as the body count soars, the siege of Sarejevo lengthens, and a solution looks ever farther away. If these articles show one thing it is that racial hatred has not died in Eastern Europe and that America and her Allies should be vigilant to stop the occurrence of another genocide. Let not future generations question our resolve.

It has been said that the Balkans are a power keg of nationalities, and so they have been throughout history. Serbians, Magyars, Muslims, Albanians and eastern Europe from the Oder River to the Urals is a patch work of nationalities. Some, like Poles and Russians who

one could deny statehood. Others such as the Sorbians are unknown to most of the world. Currently in the United States, certain people are making a case for intervention in the civil war that's raging in Bosnia-Herzegovina. Many predict other wars breaking out any day in Kosovo, Macedonia, the Trans-Dniester. The question we all must ask is why should we send our friends and relatives to die in Bosnia?

Former Austrian President Kurt Waldheim was quoted in the *Economist* (A British News Magazine) early last year as saying when asked about Bosnia-Herzegovina; "If I take away their guns, they will use knives. If I take away their knives, they will use teeth. So why shouldn't I sell them arms?" Many military experts have warned that intervention in Bosnia-Herzegovina could turn into another Vietnam. Bosnia's mountains and people kept the armies of Austrian Empire tied up for centuries. Having destroyed more determined armies do we risk ours? Armed Intervention also means that we could be opening a domino effect war. You know the scenario... Well, we fixed Bosnia but Montenegro is right next door... (memories of Cambodia surface)

Eventually there comes a time when you have to decide that altruism is just not practical. Let's face it, Americans can not and should not fix the world's problems. The Gods did not appoint America the righter of the world's wrongs. I would note that nothing says that we are right. Of course you could always take the easy way out and follow Chairman Mao's

axiom; "Power comes from the business end of a gun" ... Might makes right. The revisionist historians say that we are wrong even now... I do not have a problem with intervention to help the Bosnians. Rather what I have a problem with is people assigning biblical allegories to "evil empires."

The Serbians as a group or as people are not "bad" per se. Rather they have conflicting needs and wants with us. Slobadan Milosevic, their "elected" leader is not Hitler as certain politicians would contend (Hitler was around the bend and there was something rather nasty about the Nazi Party; something that had been festering in European Culture since the Teutonic Knights, but that again is another story). It should also be noted that this comparison of Milosevic to Hitler remains to be proven or disproven. Further all he has done is start a civil war, rather than a world war. Though the pretext for both is the same.....and possibly the results

I would say that before America gets involved in such a war as the Bosnian intervention could become, the issues should be examined in more clarity than through several magazine articles, some heresy, and some dead bodies. I do not think that anyone can say that they do not want to help the Bosnians, but rather can they say that they are aware of what such a commitment might entail and be clear as crystal as to why we are getting involved, and exactly what our goals are? On to Baghdad? Or do we stop at the line in the sand?

## GSO NEWS

The next general meeting of the Graduate Student Organization will be held this Thursday, March 4, 1993 in AK108. The agenda includes discussion of department bulletin boards, Executive Committee reports, and the meeting will be run by both the old and newly elected officers.

Volunteer in the Worcester Public School System!

There will be a meeting tomorrow, Wednesday,

day, March 3 in Washburn 323 for anyone interested in doing volunteer work in the Worcester Schools. The head of the volunteer program, Bob Consolmagno, will be there to answer any questions regarding the program, which is for grades 1-5. The program requires about an hour a week time commitment and involves reading to students and helping with assignments. Schedules are flexible, so get involved and help out.

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## CLUB CORNER

## ΑΦΩ

Well the heinous C-Term at Whoopie is almost over, sox weeks down and one to go. (Did I say sox? Geez you can tell what I am thinking about other than sex, The Sox!!!) Congratulations to all the AFW's who participated in making that awesomely Reckless show. (\*ok so it's corny\*) Pledges remember you have to get involved in committees. T-Shirts! (I hope we get a good design out of this) Blood Drive is coming up so talk to Shelley!!! Gundy's got some cool stuff in committee's so go to some committee meetings and get it into reality. D-Term means one thing UMOC! The only reason that this is short is that I have no more than ten minutes to take away from IQP. Have a great spring break and remember the sun block, even if you have to stay in Worcester and teach IQP. There is such a thing as snow burn.

## Christian Bible Fellowship

Here we are in the final week of school for C-term, the short term goal is in sight! I know we all had fun last Friday, and the weekend probably did us a world of good, too. Our final meeting of the term will be Wednesday night's Prayer and Share meeting in the Beckett Conference room of Fuller Labs at 7:00 p.m. We hope to see as many of you as possible out there with the opportunity of taking a break and sharing your praises and prayers to God.

Matthew 22:37-39 "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: "Love your neighbor as yourself." This is how Christ replied to the question of which commandment is greatest. Loving God first and then loving others are the greatest commandments. If we obey all these commands, all the others will be done. However, we cannot truly love unless we have the love of Jesus in our hearts. Christ loved us so much that He gave up his own life for us, so that whoever believes will have eternal life. As the term comes to an end, let us remember the greatest commandments and remember the love that Christ has for each of us.

## Men's Glee Club

First of all, I'm sorry that last week's club corner was so lame. I talked to Wayno about my apparent problem. He reassured me that all good writers have bad days. I replied, "Wow, that must make you an excellent writer, Wayno!"

It looks as if the assassination game is going to be good. We had a buttload of people sign up. Stay tuned to Muneeb for further directions. And make sure you read the rules if you're playing.

There will be no rehearsal on Thursday night. Go home. Get away from WPI. There

will be rehearsal Tuesday night when we get back. We have to sing at Harvard the first weekend we get back. We will be staying there over night, and they have a BIG party planned for us. Also, elections for officers should be soon after break.

And the top 10 reasons to sing at Radcliffe Harvard are:

10. To see if they enjoyed the fluorescent green punch.
9. To conduct an official study to see which school has the worst social life.
8. Some of their study habits might rub off on us.
7. Just so we can say, "We sang at Harvard."
6. To find out who copied who in Ching-a-Ring Chaw.
5. To see if they will catch us, if one of us faints.
4. To see if we have a faithful Regis fan club.
3. To try to acquire a Radcliffe fan club.
2. Because it's an eye-for-an-eye type thing.
1. To find out from the Harvard men if Radcliffe is synonymous with Becker.

Singing at Radcliffe should be a ball. We just have to teach them about procrastination.

Well, everyone have a good break. I will see if I can't scrounge up some more lyrics to some of the old Glee Club favorites. And congratulations and thanks go out to Ted for a logo design. It should appear shortly into D-term.

## Muslim Student Association

Assalam-u-alaikum everyone. Cheer up, it's nearly the end of this term, and can you believe that there's only one term left before summer. I bet most of you can't wait till summer comes around, as all this snow has been too much for all of us.

If you don't already know, we have arranged a late night meal at Gompei's during the month of Ramadan. If anyone of you would like to know more about this, please feel free to contact the President of MSA (firas).

I hope you are all prepared for D-term, as MSA is going to be holding a lot of activities during that term. We will be having the Ramadan dinner. We will be taking part in the cultural festival, the speaker will be here, and of course we will also be having elections.

Well, that's about it for now. I hope you all have a wonderful break (some of us really it's). Just kidding, all of you deserve this break and I hope you make the most of it. I'll see you next term - Babar.

## Pershing Rifles

Greetings, troop! I'd like to extend congratulations to those who have received promotions. (I know who they are because I typed up the orders myself.) Cocanaur, D'Atri, Diamantis, Kallio, Long, Ochsner, and Wemyss have all gone up in rank. Huah!

To those P/R's who helped the troop win our Best Company of 1991-1992 award, ribbons will be given out by the s4 so we can proudly display the honor. Membership shingles will also be handed out, so expect these little goodies sometime soon. I bet that you didn't know P/R issues achievement medals. Well, they do. Regimental Headquarters has issued a bronze medal to CPT Rhodes, a bronze medal to W01 Holley, and both the bronze and gold to CW2 Hellwig. Hoorah.

Don't forget to look at the new training schedule on the P/R bulletin board! Man-oh-man is it packed. We have a bounteous bevvvy of things to do this semester. We have APFTs, classes on tactics, training in preparation for Operation Cape Cod Storm, and perhaps our own FTX at Leominster.

This week's meeting is optional, for all of you who have finals. I don't. Ha ha. P/R would like to use this time as a study break for socializing. We will have a pool tournament and pizza. If you come, you can find out what really happened to W01 Holley's car after the National Convention. You can also hear how MSG Jennings did a similar thing a mere 48 hours later with her own car!

## Science Fiction Society

Hey, everyone! Derek apologizes for not writing a club corner this week, but luckily, I came to visit my friend Dennis the typist in the office. He has kindly allowed me to type in a Club Corner. (Not without harassing me, of course, but I'm willing to pay the price)

So! So so so...hey! 6x9 is running at the beginning of D-Term - March 26-28. Send your applications to jtruss@wpi NOW! Hopefully everyone who applies can play.

What to say, what to say...I would have more to say, but I missed the last meeting. (I was asleep, deal.) Oh, come to the next meeting for the punt count! I know I punted something. Come and be counted for your failures!

That's all I can think of for now. If you want a better club corner, write to lightnin@wpi and tell him so. Deal with it pink boy! -mistress lizzie

## Society of Manufacturing Engineers

The new officers for SME have been elected. They are: Chairman - Derek Smith; 1st Vice-Chair - David Jakad; 2nd Vice-Chair - Jeff LeBeau; Secretary - Lily Lau; and Treasurer - James Lagrant. Congratulations and best wishes for next year. If anyone is interested in helping out with the SME Student Discount Card for next year please contact Derek at 795-0765 or Box 867. We'll be doing some work in D-term to get it ready. Anyone wishing to be a member of SME can still contact Kyle Leboutz at 796-0765 or Box 2611 for an application - it's never too late! Good luck on C-term finals!

## WPI Ultimate

The disks bearing the new team logo are in and the demand for them is high. Amidst rumors that the disks were to be made available last Thursday, a mob of people was seen scurrying around the SGA office and the wedge that night seeking Dupe. Riots disrupting the SGA budget hearings resulted when neither Dupe nor the disks were to be found. Worcester police have initiated a full investigation into the events which instigated the riots.

In other news, the Green Monster recovered from his paralyzing back injury and Scchurman is developing an individualized work out for the Monster to strengthen his back for the next time the Monster has to take his pants off in a hurry.

It must be noted that Glue used to have a nice Clockwork Orange disk until he took it to practice.

The final week of C-Term is upon us. Exams are also here, so be sure you make it to practice this week to relieve that built up stress. Enjoy the break but keep in shape. Find that glove because practices will resume after break with some possible throwing. See you again the Thursday after break in Harrington.

## BECOME A WPI AMBASSADOR

Visit your high school over term break and share your enthusiasm for WPI with prospective students. An information table will be set up in the Wedge from 11:00am to 1:00pm on Monday, March 1st and Tuesday, March 2nd if you would like to sign up then. Otherwise, please contact Mike Smith x5286 in the Admissions Office for more information.

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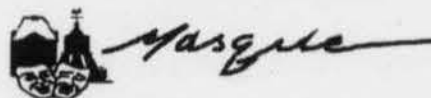
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## GREEK CORNER

## ΑΓΔ

HEY AGD!!! (all 200 hundred of you, now!) How's life in the fast lane of WPI? Hopefully everything is going well! I can just hear all the grumpy responses to this too-cherry-for-finals-week-article. but just think, maybe, by the time we come back for D-term, we'll be able to feel our toes when we walk outside.

Congratulations to Kristin S. for her awesome job in Reckless! How in the world did you memorize all those lines! Thanks to Brenda and Doreen for thier great ushering! And to all the sisters for thier support!

Also, congrats to Hollybeth and Christine for being tapped for Skull! And to all the new officers! Officer training time again! Carla and Wendy - you guys did an awesome job! Thank you for sharing your talent with us all!

Donna, we love you!

It was great to see all the new faces at our weekly meeting!...And thanks to Jean for supplying the posterboard, and to members for all the .....rather intersetting messages.

Okay, good luck in finals week!

## ΑΤΩ

21 April is coming. Be prepared for **QUAD FEST 93**. Well, a lot of brothers are in utter anticipation for Spring break. Since the seniors somtimes tell tall tales, I will tell you what will probably happen in South Poudre. cote will decide on going and while he is on the island he will be enjoying life to the fullest. He'll be sitting on the beach one day when a waiter tells him he has an emergency phone call. Cote leaves quickly and is not seen again until D-term. Bonnana will tell us how he met this awesome looking girl. Here's what's really going to happen. The first day the guys go to the beach. Mark quickly takes off his shirt to show off his body made by WPI Soccer. As he struts his tuff down the beach the laughter is so loud, Mark runs back to his room and hides there for the rest of the week. During his stay in the room he becomes familiar with the 0 year old cleaning lady. Finally three days after the main group arrives, they see on the horizon a AMC Concord with racing stripes approaching quickly with various state troopers in pursuit from many different states. Strapped to the roof is Krevo will a tap in his mouth and keg next to him. Jimmy Lau is throwing sticks of dynamite out the window trying to hit the cops. So that was the real story. If you here anything else ask for proof. Ask for pictures. I forgot one thing. Brownie will smell so bad the police will kick off the beach.

Hey pledges way to hang in there! I have a

simple question for you. Can you tell me who Stanley T. is?

Congratulations to Brad for his job offer from GE.

## ΣΦΕ

Another kick! \*\$% term for Sig Ep. First of all, we would like to Congratulate Scott Borges for receiving the "Zollinger Award" for the most outstanding senior in the region. he was #1 of 4000 to apply for the award. Congrats to Tom Doran for being accepted to flight school, as well as being the top mid-shipman. A thumbs up for Ted Brown for being elected a captain of the baseball team. As come to be expected, we rocked the house at regionals. Taking home 6 awards. Academic Excellence, REgional Dean's List, Manpower Excellence, Excelsior Cup (risk management award), Outstanding Rush Presentation, along with the Zollinger Award. Congrats to Leo and Jumpin J. for pinning their girlfriends. (suckers!) Also, congrats to the 3 intramural B-Ball teams in the finals. Lets bring home the bacon baby!! Gooner and the boys keep up the good work. Rex Pluto sucks!! -Flynn. Oh! And by the way TC sucks to be you.

## ΛΧΑ

Spring Break! Spring Break! Spring Break! Spring Break!...sorry got a little carried away. **QuadFest**

Congratulations to: Brain Savago for accepting his bid, Warren Smale for being elected SGA President, and to Peter Apollo for being tapped (skulled, brained, whatever...) Good job, Josh, in arranging the faculty mixer. To the faculty that showed up on short notice, it was fun. Impressive job throwing together that recruitment seminar together so fast Jeff. Guess, we'll just have to reschedule that instructional lecture by Prof. Sisson some other time (SOON). **QuadFest**

There's no Fraternity Bd. session this Tuesday because of exams. That's right exams. Those wonderful, relaxing, self-fulfilling, evaluations of what we've learned in the past several weeks that we all LOVE to take. Hey, we've finally got our co-brother education packs. Don't forget to use 'em guys. Show of hands - Who's got the Creed memorized? **QuadFest**

Well, to everyone have a Spring Break. Don't do anything you wouldn't want Mom to find out about...

**QuadFest**

## ΦΚΘ

First of all, I have one thing to say: Once again, T.C. has practiced unprecedented sportsmanship, while scoring one goal when offsides, and another when the puck was covered dead by the goalie. But that's OK, after all, who would take a team that complains that you hit to hard seriously.

It appears to the rest of the system, that TC stumbled, but do to uncanny luck, and some good 'ole kissin' and cryin', they have managed to regain their balance in six easy steps...anyways, enough girl talk.

Well, back to my own kind - the goon SQUAD has been reactivated due to popular demand.

Gossip - I love this part...

Lynch and Chad: Flowers for the lady? How about that hamburger?

Cups: Will you ever have anything for us to write about, I could write more about a sock than I could about you.

Dana - You really think you can make your way to the top, don't you? DANA is no longer H.P.O.B.A.V. second of all, How can you be out of the dirt and right wiht one of ROSCO's women.

Leamy: What the hell are you doin'? It was a long, lonely co-op, wasn't it?

Cregan: hey sunshine, "I'm the man of million faces"

MUTHA: I think you have more lines than the script for Julius Ceasar: "Is your dad a thief, because I think he stole all the strs and put them in your eyes."

M.M. - Date a good lookin chick!

Bosco - You think your sooo...cool don't you!

Ruck - Keep on Grinden, your doin a good job.

Respectfully,

Ex-ex-secretary, E.M.

## TKE

Hey, it's finals week. So what? All that means is you're reading this looking for some glimmer of humor to get you through your aggravating week. Well, wait for bids night tonight.

Last weekend at the Regional Leadership Conference in Syracuse, NY, we picked up 3 more awards, 1 for Superior Chapter, and 2 for Membership Recruitment. I wish people would stop giving us awards, we've got so many nails in the walls as it is. More congrats to Noonan and Droopy for winning the cool-guy-of-the-week awards. We need a better name for that. Also, Pete Cavallo was named to the All-New

England Intercollegiate Band, and Keith Sacon got into Chi Epsilon, the Civil Honor Society.

Our pool balls are sacred. No one touches them. Consider yourselves mentioned. Save it for the grudge match...

Ok that was cold. I don't care, the weather's cold too. And I'm getting a little peeved that some people are too lazy to shovel their sidewalk, or even throw some salt out the window. Word has it it's time for a little slap on the wrist. I still think we could use an expanded parking lot...and a great view of the park, but enough on that.

The totals are in and we received over \$6100 in donations from the alumni phone-a-thon. Everyone should appreciate alumni, I mean they were smart enough to get out of here. And they make good money.

Our chem Eng's have come up with the formula for LSD...2 Motrins, 1 shot of Nyquil, and 4 beers. It'll have you tripping in no time! Tuna, how do you like wait-on? Enough.

## ΘΧ

Ahh, yeah...After recently surviving a harrowing experience with icy, cold death I have found that life, even at this social wasteland called WPI, is truly a wonderful thing. In celebration of my escape from hypothermia i feel it is time once again for a top 15 list. Why? Who cares. About what? Who knows? About Who? Don't know.

Top 15 reasons to Be Alive Today:

15: Purchased new underwear, chance to break them in.

14: To read this stupid article.

13: Chicks don't dig dead guys

12: Geiger may do something worth noting

11: Watch snow melt.

10: Everybody else is doing it.

9: Blow-off IQP, ride electric horse at K-mart.

8: Take mind altering drugs and pretend you are a big, yellow fish in a goldfish bowl filled with jello

7: Play Sega till your thumb seizes up

6: Possible chance Swedish Bikini Team rappels into your room.

5: Laugh at other people's misery

4: Could win Megabucks, buy WPI and then fire all professors.

3: Haggerty may find his dark load.

2: To over come and adapt

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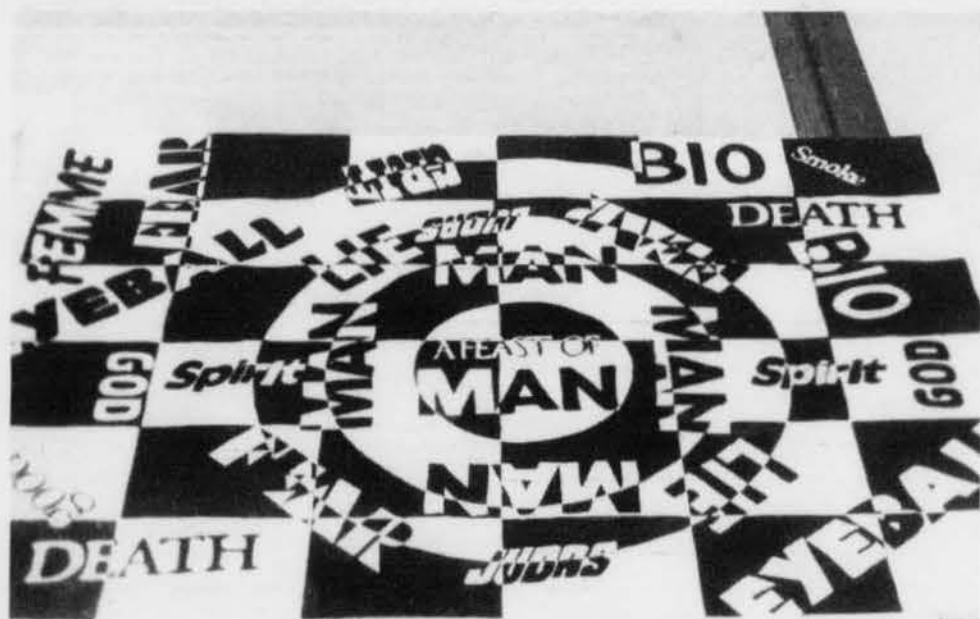
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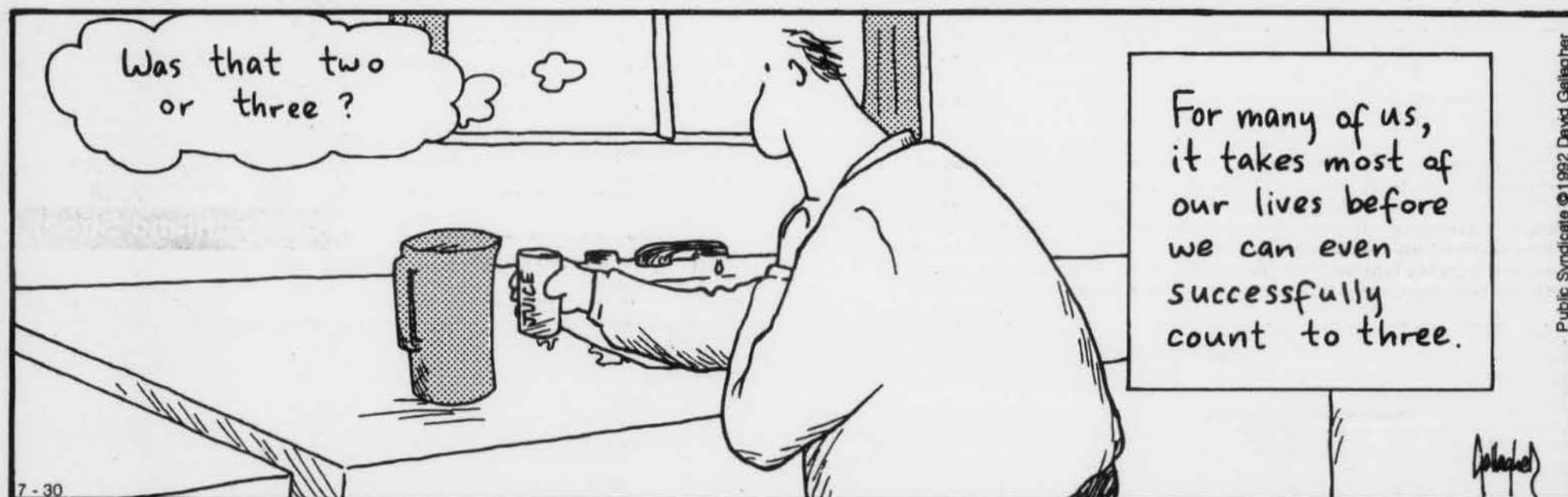




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Drawing by Joanne Marino, Class of 1995, on display at Indie Fest a couple of weeks ago

# THAN Larger Life

**WPI EMS will be offering a basic CPR course to the WPI community. Class will be March 27 in Founders basement from 8:30 - 12:30, with the testing from 1:30 - 4:30. If interested, send your name, phone number, and box number to Jeff (Box 974) or Chris (Box 1796).**





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The Impromptu Discussion Group will continue to meet on a sortof weekly basis in the SGA office whenever people feel like getting into interesting discussions. Past topics include: proper passionate kiss length, "chewing

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on someone's Bic" and much, much more...

Liz likes to be picked up !

Cheerleaders-You guys did awesome this season! Thanks for working so hard and for being psyched for 3 terms. You're the best. -Chris

Kevin, you will die for this...how's that mud, anyway?

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UMOC!

I did not know you could get thrown out of Denny's for doing that!

# The Naked Truth

by Tori Pesek  
Class of '93

The Women's Mentoring Program is proud to announce "The Naked Truth" presented by Dr. Jean Kilbourne on Wednesday, March 24, at 7:00 PM in Alden Hall. (Mark it on your calendar...now. It's free!)

"The Naked Truth" primarily focuses on images in advertising. However, it encompasses additional topics including sexual harassment, degrading behavior, discrimination, negative body image, and rape. These issues

are increasingly becoming a popular global issue while starting to surface at WPI.

Dr. Kilbourne's years of experience have twice awarded her the National Association of Campus Activities lecturer of the year. She is a medic critic with doctorate in education. her presentations and award winning films appeal to a diversity of audiences.

This event is co-sponsored by the Women's Mentoring Program and the Greek Council, and is part of WPI's Celebration of Diversity. Don't miss a dynamic presentation on a relevant topic

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## What's Happening

### Tuesday, March 2

10:00 am - 3:00pm Air Force ROTC Carnation Sale, Wedge  
10:00 am - Mechanics Hall: Children's Theatre, "The Velveteen Rabbit" call 752-5608.  
8:00 pm - Worcester State College: French Singer - Songwriters - Romain Didier and Veronique Pestel. Sullivan Auditorium.

### Thursday, March 4

9:00 am - 5:00 pm - Continuing Education Seminar, "Basic Geometric Dimensioning and Tolerancing" Gordon Library.  
8:00 pm - Worcester Forum Theater presents *Handy Dandy* from now until March 28. 6 Chatham St. Worcester \$7. 799-9166.  
9:00 pm - "Shockra" at Bowlers, 104 Prescott St. Worcester with special guests "Flubber" 18 and older. Call 869-6471.

### Friday, March 5

8:00 pm - Worcester Artist Group "Descent into Hardcore" plus "Full Swing" "Sidewalk", "Dread", and "Terror" 21-69 Main St. Cherry Valley 892-WAGS \$4.00 with ID.  
8:00 pm - 11:00 pm - Worcester Dances (learn how to contra and square dance) All Saints Church 10 Irving Street Worcester, costs \$5. Lemonade served

### Saturday, March 6

8:00 pm - Worcester Artist Group - John Suetkey and Bill MacMillan - Comedian and poet. \$4 with ID 21-69 Main Street Cherry Valley call 892-WAGS.  
9:15 pm - Coco Bean Cafe "Between the Lines" folk music with a "kick in the ass" 264 Park Ave Worcester, call 792-2876. costs \$5.

### Sunday, March 7

3:00 pm - General tour of Worcester Art Museum. Meet in lobby 55 Salisbury St. Free. with ID.

### Saturday, March 13

9:15 pm - Coco Bean Cafe - Lui Collins - Folk musicians costs \$5 with ID. 264 Park Ave, Worcester.

### Sunday, March 14

3:00 pm - Third Annual Benefit concert to Benefit the Worcester Committee on Homelessness - jazz, classical, and gospel music. First Unitarian Church 90 Main St., Worcester, free for students. Call 757-2708.  
3:00 pm - General Tour of Worcester Art Museum. Meet in Lobby 55 Salisbury St. Free with ID.

### Tuesday, March 16

2:00 pm - Worcester Art Museum Tours: "March Through the Medieval" Meet in lobby at 55 Salisbury Street. Free w/ ID.  
6:30 pm and 9:30 pm - Film "Unforgiven" Perreault Hall, Fuller Labs, \$2.

### Saturday, March 20

9:15 pm - Coco Bean Cafe - Leroy White - musician - 264 Park Ave, Worcester 792-2876 \$5 with ID.

### Sunday, March 21

6:30 and 9:30 pm - Film "A League of Their Own" Perreault Hall, Fuller Labs \$2.

## Post-February Reflections on Black History Month

By Ndofunsu Mbingu Osias

Every year, across the United States, the month of February is dedicated to the celebration of Black History. The concept of Black History Month originated in 1926. Dr Carter G. Woodson, a Black scholar who initiated "The Journal of Negro History", a journal treating the topic of Black History in America, declared that year the observance of Black History Week. Although the official celebration of Black History started only 65 years ago, it does by no means imply that Africans in America started celebrating their culture at that particular time. If it was the case America would not have been the birthplace of jazz, blues, and gospel. If it was the case the

United States would never have had great writers such as W.E.B DuBois and Alex Haley, internationally renowned political leaders like Dr Martin Luther King, El Hajji Malik Shabazz (Malcom X), Thurgood Marshall, Jesse Jackson, remarkable scientists such as George Washington Carver, Benjamin Banneker, Dr. Charles Drew, Dr. Ben Carson.

In the past couple of years, a growing number of African American have been showing a genuine interest to rediscover and re-establish their ties with the Motherland, Africa. As a result a new term was introduced in the common vocabulary: "Afrocentrism". In his book 'Kemet, Afrocentricity, and Knowledge', Dr Molefi Asante, chairman of the Temple University Department of African American Stud-

ies, writes: "Afrocentricity, as an aspect of centrism, is groundedness which allows the student of human culture investigating African phenomena to view the world from the standpoint of the African." This concept could, in other terms, be defined as a view of the world by means of African intellect, sensibility, emotion, philosophy, and culture. The adoption of Afrocentricity clearly demonstrates that more and more Blacks in the US are proud to be from the Motherland. Another sign of this cultural revolution is the increasing popularity of African fashion. Beautiful West African outfits as well as clothes with the African colors (black, red, green, yellow) are highly demanded on the market. The symbols associated with the African colors are the followings: black for the

color of the people, red for their blood, green for the abundant vegetation, and yellow for the gold and other mineral resources of Africa. These colors are represented in the flags of many African countries (Burkina Faso, Cameroun, Congo, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, Mali, Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe) and some West Indian ones (Jamaica, Guyana), and they are also those of the Rastafarians.

February has already come to an end but by our personal accomplishments in all domains of life (academics, sciences, culture, arts) every day will be a celebration of Black History and this is our duty as members of the African American People as well as members of the WPI Community.

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